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City Shuttle Services

In order to provide an alternate form of transportation to Foster City residents and employees, the City has started several shuttles to serve the population. These shuttles provide transportation around town and connect to major transportation hubs in the Bay Area.

Foster City Connections Shuttle

The City, working with the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance, provides the Foster City Connections Shuttle free of charge to Foster City Residents and employees. The shuttle provides service in Foster City and to the Hillsdale Shopping Center and the Bridgepointe Shopping Center in San Mateo. The Foster City Connections Shuttle operates Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. The shuttle operates two routes, the Red Line and the Blue Line.

The Blue Line serves the western portion of the City and the Bridgepoint Shopping Center. Route stops include: Recreation Center, Charter Square Shopping Center, Edgewater Place Shopping Center, Sea Cloud Park, Harbor Cove Apartments, and the Bridgepointe Shopping Center.

The Red Line shuttle stops are the same as the SamTrans Route 251 bus stops, although as of July 1, 2010, the Red Line provides service in the eastbound direction only. The Red Line and SamTrans Route 251 provide connections to the Hillsdale Caltrain Station. Route stops include: Library/Community Center, Beach Park Plaza Shopping Center, Marlin Cove Shopping Center, Bridgepointe Shopping

Center, Foster City Recreation Center, Edgewater Place Shopping Center, and the Hillsdale Shopping Center.

For more information on routes and schedules for the Connections Shuttle, go to www.fostercity.org/transportation.

North Foster City (Millbrae) BART Shuttle

The Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance; in conjunction with several employers, provides shuttle service to the Millbrae Intermodal (BART and Caltrain) Station Monday through Friday during commute hours. For more information on the BART connection shuttles, please go to the City's website at www.fostercity.org/transportation.

Employer Shuttles

Several Foster City employers operate a shuttle service to and from the Caltrain Station in San Mateo. The shuttles are available Monday through Friday during the commute hours only.

For more information on the employer shuttles, please go to the City's website at www.fostercity.org/transportation.

Senior Express

The Senior Express Shuttle is an on-demand service for Foster City residents who are age 55 and older. The service includes a pick-up at the residence and drop off at a designated stop. For fee information and reservations, please call the Senior Wing at the Parks and Recreation Department at 650-286-2585.

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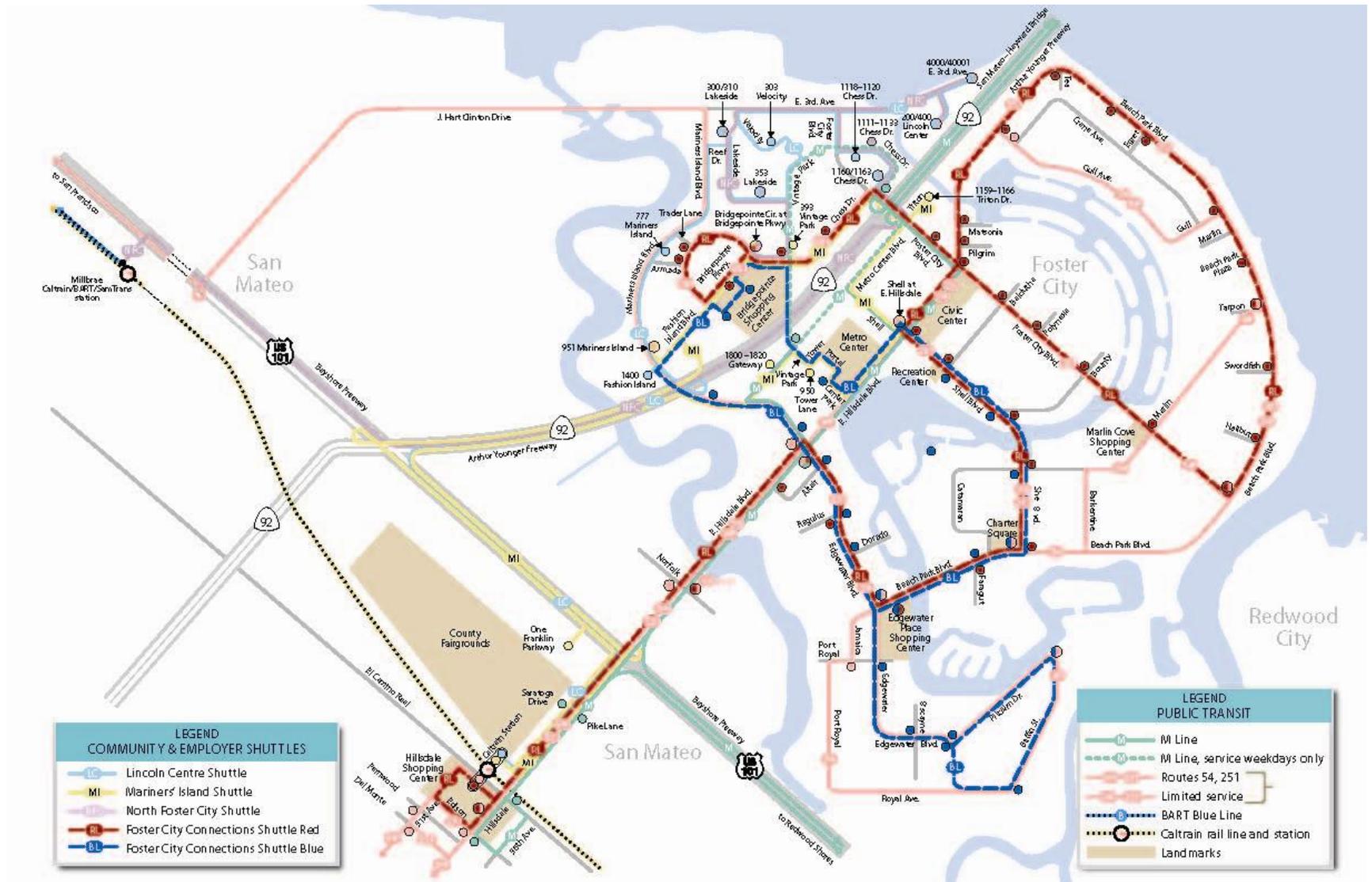


Figure 59: Foster City Local Transportation Guide Route Map (2010)

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Alternate Modes of Transportation

In addition to the City Shuttles, there are other transportation options available. These options include SamTrans, CalTrain, AC Transit and BART.

SamTrans

SamTrans operates a bus service throughout Foster City and the San Francisco Peninsula, interconnecting with virtually all other public transit agencies in the Bay Area. SamTrans runs three routes in Foster City. The three routes are: Route 251, FX Express to San Francisco and Route 54. For more information on the routes and schedule, please go to www.samtrans.com.

CalTrain

CalTrain provides commuter rail service between San Francisco and Gilroy along the San Francisco Peninsula. The closest CalTrain station is located 3 miles from Foster City on Hillsdale Blvd. and El Camino Real in San Mateo. Foster City residents and employees can connect to the CalTrain station by car or by SamTrans Route 251, employer shuttles or by using the Foster City Connections Shuttle.

For more information on CalTrain schedules or connection options, please go to www.caltrain.com.

AC Transit Line M

The transbay service links the transit center at the Hayward BART Station with the Hillsdale CalTrain Station in San Mateo and Redwood Shores. Line M operates via Highway 92 (the San Mateo-Hayward Bridge) to serve commercial/business centers at Bridgepointe and Metro Center, the Foster City Library/City Hall, and via East Hillsdale Boulevard, the Hillsdale CalTrain station and Hillsdale Mall. In the East Bay

The schedule was revised in late 2010 to eliminate non-peak direction trips to Redwood Shores. For more information on the routes and schedule, please go to www.actransit.org.

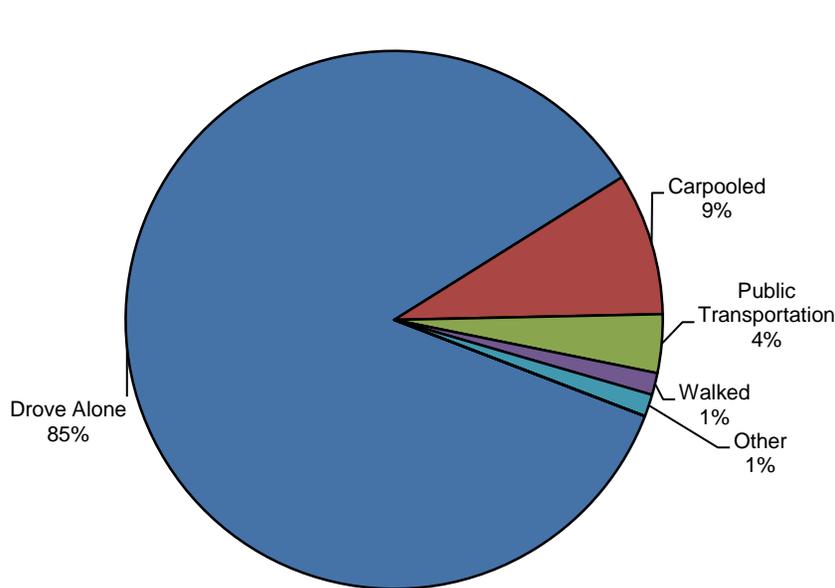
BART

The nearest BART station is the Millbrae Station, which also provides a connection to CalTrain. Access to the Millbrae Station is provided by the North Foster City Shuttle or by transferring from CalTrain. BART provides access to San Francisco Airport, Downtown San Francisco and the East Bay.

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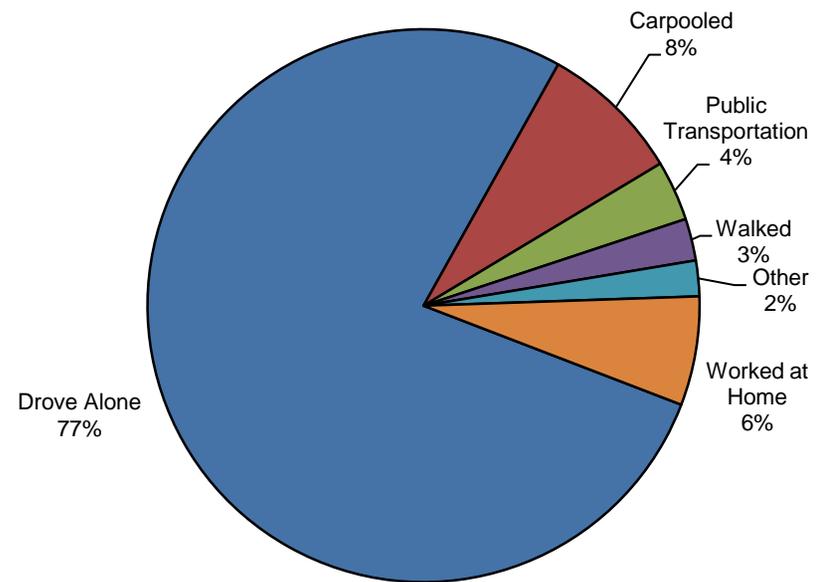
Transportation to Work - Mode

In 2008, 77% of Foster City residents drove alone to work and 8% carpooled. Compared to 2000, the percentage carpooling has decreased slightly from 9% to 8%, the percentage taking public transportation has stayed the same at 4% and the percentage who walked has increased from 1% to 3%.



Source: U.S. Census, 2000

Figure 60: Transportation Mode to Work: 2000



Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey 2008

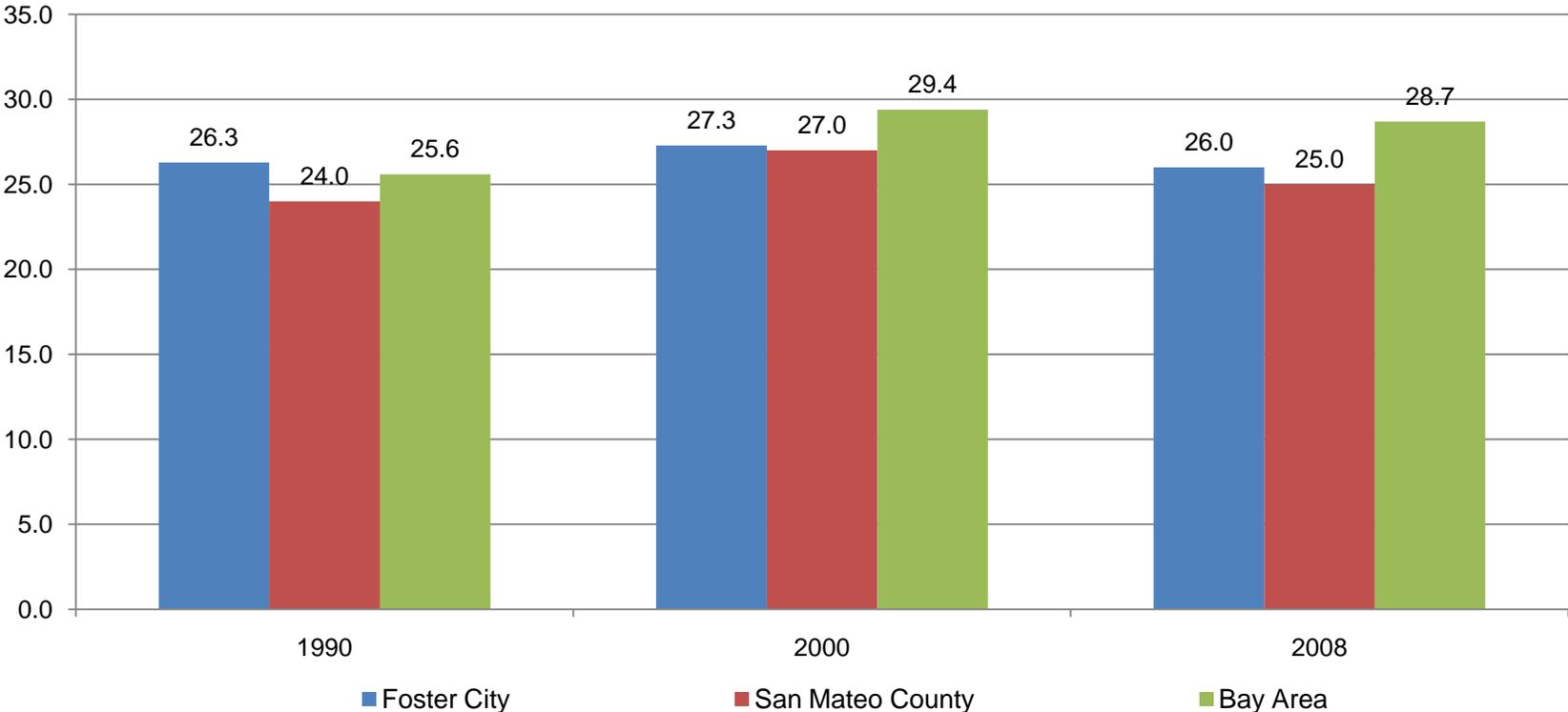
Figure 61: Transportation Mode to Work: 2008

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Travel Time to Work

In 2008 the mean travel time to work for Foster City workers was 26.0 minutes. This number was slightly more than San Mateo County as a whole which had a mean travel time of 25

minutes. But less than the Bay Area average of 28.7 minutes. Travel times increased between 1990 and 2000 but have decreased slightly since 2000.



Source: U.S. Census 1980-2000, U.S. Census American Community Survey 2008

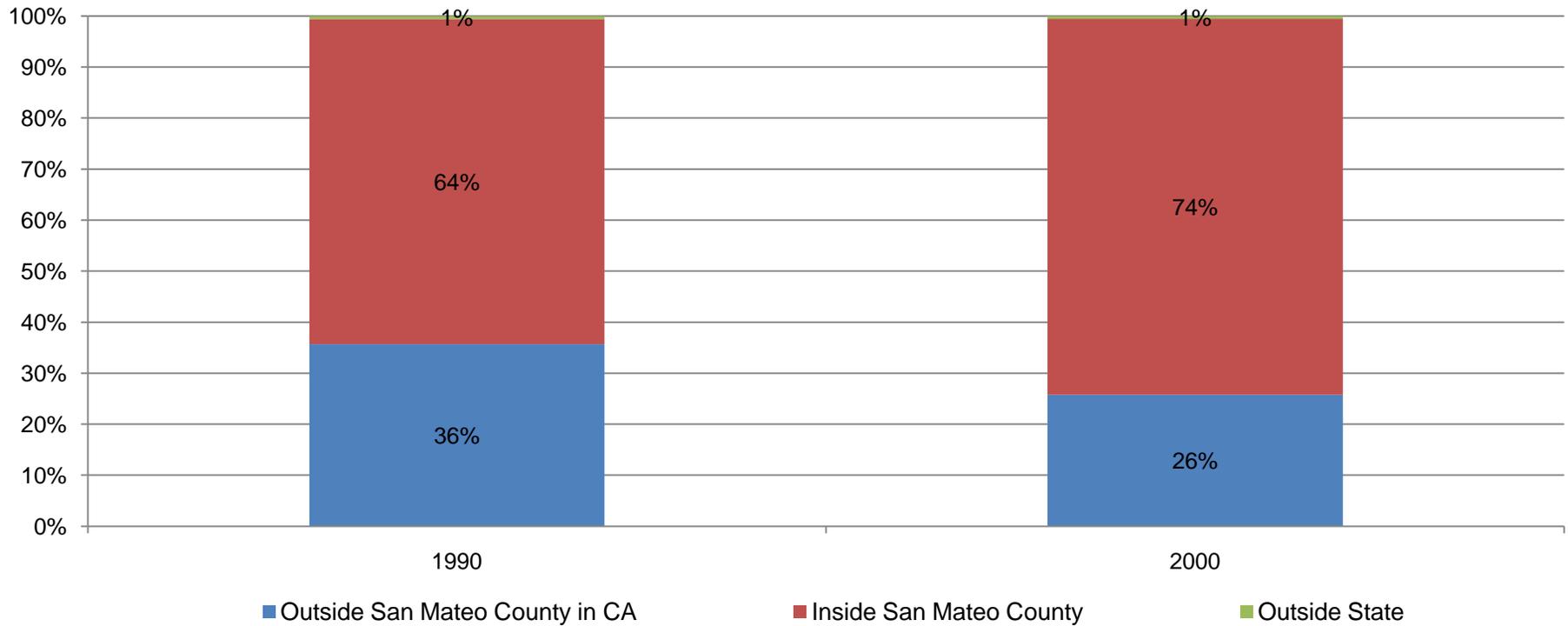
Figure 62: Mean Travel Time to Work (1990-2008)

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Residents' Place of Work

The percentage of residents who work inside San Mateo County has increased from 64% in 1990 to 74% in 2000. In

2000, the percentage of residents who traveled outside of San Mateo County for work declined from 36% to 26%. The percentage of residents who work outside the state remained constant at 1%.



Source: U.S. Census 1990-2000

Figure 63: Foster City Labor Force by Place of Work (1990-2000)